Secure Rural Schools and Community Sel f-Determination Act of 2000 Public Law 106-393

Title II Project Submission Form Northeast Oregon Forests Resource Advisory Committee

1. Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official): HA-MAL04-226

3. County: Harney

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4. Project Sponsor: Margaret Bailey		5. Date: November 2002				
6. Sponsor's Phone Number: 541-573-4300						
7. Sponsors E-mail: mbailey01@fs.fed.us	jcampbell04@fs.fed.	<u>us</u>				
8. Project Location (attach project area map)						
a. 4 th Field Watershed Name and HUC #: Silvid	es (17120002)/Upper Ma	alheur and Silver				
b. 5 th Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if kno	own): Various					
c. Location: Township Range S	ection(s) All over	the District				
Township Range Section 5.	ection(s)					
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d. BLM District: Burns	e. BLM Resource Are	ea: Three Rivers				
f. National Forest: Malheur	g. Forest Service District: Emigrant Creek RD					
h. State / Private / Other lands involved? X Yes	s No					

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives: (max. 7 lines)

2. Proiect Name: Noxious Weeds Mgt continued 2004

To continue the treatment, inventory and prevention of Noxious Weeds. So that they can either be eradicated or controlled to maintain the health and bio diversity of Harney County's forest and range resources. To work with the State of Oregon, Grant and Harney County and private landowners in a Cooperative Weed Management Program.

10. Project Description: (max. 30 lines.)

Treat noxious weed infestations that are on the list in the Weed EA for the Malheur National Forest by mechanical means only. Treat noxious weed infestations on the Ochoco Forest as dictated in the Ochoco Forest EA. Treat major access roads (i.e. highway) ¼ mile beyond forest boundary. Pull new sites as find them, as time is available. Inventory new sites, monitor and retreat sites that have been treated in previous years. Are we gaining? Or totally falling behind. GPS sites for location and size-(monitoring effectiveness of treatment) See attached.

This project also involves education and awareness training for public, the infamous weed wagon tours and agency training sessions.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?						
X Yes No If yes, then describe (max. 10 lines) The Forest Service's weed management program is part of the Harney County Weed Management Partnership. To work with the State of Oregon, Grant and Harney County and private landowners in a Cooperative Weed Management Program. The partnership is moving to become a Coordinated Weed Management Area with a Weed coordinator position to provide coordination for all parties involved.						
12. How does proposed project meet purposes of	f the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]					
☐ Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Se	ec. 2(b)]					
XX Implements stewardship objectives that enhance	forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]					
XX Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]						
XX Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]						
13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]						
Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	☐ Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]					
Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	☐ Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]					
Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]					
Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]	☐ Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]					
Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]	☐ Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]					
Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]	XX Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]					
Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]						
Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]: Maintain improvement in vegetation already achieved.						
14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]						
a. Total Acres: treatment 40	b. Total Miles: 300 miles of road/inventoried					
c. No. Structures:	d. Est. People Reached					
e. No. Laborer Days: 60	(for environmental education projects):					
f. Other (specify):						

15. Estimated Completion Date: [Sec. 203(b)(2)]

9/30/2004 – Treatment and inventory 11/30/2004 – Reports and meetings

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) (max. 7 lines)

17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? [Sec. 2(b)(3)] (max. 12 lines)

Following state law. Participation in the Harney County Weed Management Partnership encourages most comprehensive use of resources. Weed control on Forest lands encourages other landowners to work on their weeds. Decreasing noxious weed populations reduces potential for spread to other lands. Tackling weed sites when they are small is the most effective use of dollars spent for treatment instead of waiting until the populations are out of control. With a common enemy, people unite.

18. How is this project in the best public interest? [Sec. 203(b)(7)] Identify benefits to communities. (max. 12 lines)

Benefit is by the distribution of dollars to the community through purchase of materials, and salary of present person(s) that have herbicide certification in Harney County. Provides for other dollars to be available for training for folks to recognize noxious weeds and be able to treat them. Helps maintain the scenic values already here. Brings all sorts of people together to work on a resource issue.

19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources? (max. 12 lines)

By treating areas beyond the Forest boundary reduces the potential for spread of weeds to the Forest.

20. Status of Project Planning						
a. NEPA Complete:	XX Yes	☐ No	(For manual treatment)			
If no, give est. date of completion:						
c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	Yes	□ No	N/A			
d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	☐ Yes	☐ No	N/A			
e. Survey & Manage Complete:	Yes	☐ No	X Not Applicable			
f. DSL/ODFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained:	☐ Yes	□ No	X Not Applicable			
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	☐ Yes	□ No	X Not Applicable			
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	☐ Yes	☐ No	X Not Applicable			
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	☐ Yes	☐ No				
* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer						
21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment (check those that apply)						
X Contract	X Federal Workforce (Technical/layout)					
X County Workforce	Volunteers					
X Other (specify): (Would like to see Harney County tribe) to do the inventory and manual treatments)	Weed Control hi	re a summer	crew (high school or			
22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Ma	terials? [Sec. 204(e)(3)]				

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]				
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$76,360 (Includes 2002 funds)				
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? XX Yes No If yes, then display by fiscal year				
c. FY02 Request: (\$21,276)	f. FY05 Request: \$18,000 (approx)			
d. FY03 Request: \$N/A	g. FY06 Request: \$18,000 (approx)			
e. FY04 Request: \$18,360				

Table 1. Project Cost Analysis

Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Column B Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Column C Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Column D Total Available Funds
24. Field Work & Site Surveys	1000			
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation	FS Lots of money		BLM lots of money	Has been completed
26. Permit Acquisition				
27. Project Design & Engineering		1500 (FS & BLM)		1500
28. Contract Preparation	500			
29. Contract Administration	500	2500 (FS, BLM, County)		3000
30. Contract Cost		11,000		
31. Workforce Cost	2000			2000
32. Materials & Supplies		(included in contract costs)		
33. Monitoring	\$500	\$1000 +\$1000 (for F.S.)		2500
34. Other (i.e. Section 106 Compliance)	\$1000 FS part of Weed Coord Grant		P landowners working on their portion of watershed.	1000
35. Project Sub-Total	5500 +NEPA	17000		22,500
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead @ 8%) (per year for multi-year projects)	\$1,441	\$1,360	State and Co. coordinators	\$2,801
37. Total Cost Estimate	\$6,941	18,360/yr	Unknown	\$25,301

38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding for Project Identified Above [Sec. 203(b)(4)] (max. 7 lines) State of Oregon, Burns BLM, Harney County, Grant County, Private land owners for the overall project area of Harney Co. and a portion of Grant County. (Portion of Silvies and Malheur Watersheds)

39. Monitoring Plan [Sec. 203(b)(6)]

- a. What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions? [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)

 Who is responsible for this monitoring item? FS
 - It is part of the work. Analysis of inventory data, photo points set up to monitor randomly selected weed treated sites. When inventory old sites will see if still there, or if any change. See attached.
- b. How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps? [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines) Who is responsible for this monitoring item? County

Funds spent in County. Summer youth programs.

d. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)
(max. 7 lines)
Amount \$2500

Forest Service \$1500 photo points/paper work County \$1000 analysis of how well Title II program working. Put in contract costs.

Project Name: Noxious Weed Management

County Commissioner Concurrence

(Majority Required per charter)

A majority of the county commissioners of Harney County
have reviewed this proposed Public Law 106-393 project for the
Northeast Oregon Forests Resource Advisory Council and agree with the proposal as submitted, except
for the comments noted below:

Attested by Commissioner

Date

Priority Rating:

X High Medium Low

Comments/Rational: See Country/FS Prioritization Letter